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- 1. SINCE I WAS NOT PRIVY TO THE INCIDENT AND AM MOST RELUCTANT TO CONVEY TO A HEAD OF STATE CONDEMNATION OF A RESPECTED FELLOW AMERICAN (WHO IS ALSO INVOLVED IN IMPORTANT FIELD), SUGGEST FOLLOWING REDRAFT;
- 2. QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, ON MY ARRIVAL HERE IN ISLAMABAD, I LEARNED OF THE UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT INVOLVING AN AMERICAN VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION IN WHICH A SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING AROSE OVER PROPRIETIES. I VERY MUCH REGRET THAT THE CONFERENCE ORGANIZED UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. IRA LUBELL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY STERILIZATION, DID NOT HAVE THE BENEFIT OF YOUR PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT BECAUSE OF THIS MISUNDERSTANDING.
- 3. QUOTE THE ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY STERILIZATION IS A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION TO WHICH MY GOVERNMENT GIVES STRONG SUPPORT IN VIEW OF THE GREAT INTEREST IN THIS SUBJECT AROUND THE WORLD. THAT THERE SHOULD HAVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BEEN ANY FAILURE ON DR. LUBELL'S PART, EVEN IF UNINTEN-

TIONAL, IS A MATTER WHICH MY GOVERNMENT DEEPLY REGRETS AND FOR WHICH I HASTEN TO EXTEND PROFOUND APOLOGIES.

4. QUOTE THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS LONG ADMIRED YOUR COURAGEOUS AND PROGRESSIVE LEADERSHIP IN THE SEARCH FOR WAYS TO DEAL WITH THE WORLD POPULATION CRISES. I HAVE HEARD FROM MANY QUARTERS OF THE VALUED HOSPITALITY AND SUPPORT YOU HAVE GIVEN TO AMERICAN AND OTHER PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS INTERESTED IN ALLEVIATING HUMAN SUFFERING THROUGH TIMELY ACTION. IT IS THEREFORE A MATTER OF PARTICULAR REGRET THAT THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN ANY BREACH OF COURTESY TO YOU, OF ALL RESPECTED WORLD LEADERS, AND THAT CONFERES WERE THEREBY DENIED THE GREAT BENEFIT OF MEETING WITH YOU. PLEASE ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES AS WELL AS OUR WARMEST BEST WISHES.

5. QUOTE I AM ASKING THAT THIS MESSAGE BE BROUGHT TO YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION BY AMBASSADOR SEELYE. AMBASSADOR MARSHALL GREEN, U.S. COORDINATOR OF POPULATION AFFAIRS.

6. IF THIS ALTERNATIVE DRAFT (ANY MINOR DRAFTING CHANGES ACCEPTABLE TO ME) IS APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT AND AMBASSADOR SEELYE, I AGREE THAT IT BE DELIVERED BY AMBASSADOR SEELYE TO PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA.
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